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Banks.

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3: Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sums less than $1, or more than $250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than $2,500 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having $100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3½ per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked *On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business* is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
G. E. NOBLE,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 1, 1889. 754

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL,.....$7,500,000
RESERVE FUND,.....$4,600,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS,..... $7,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—J. S. MOSES, Esq.

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Hon. J. J. KESWICK. | D. R. SASSOON, Esq.
B. LAYTON, Esq.
ALEX MCCONACHIE, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.
Hongkong,.....G. E. NOBLE, Esq.
MANAGER.
Shanghai,.....JOHN WALTER, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS.—*London and County Bank.*

HONGKONG.
INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

G. E. NOBLE,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, March 14, 1890. 363

Intimations.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been Received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that ARTILLERY PRACTICE will take place from the Works on Stone-cutters' Island, during the period 5th to 31st Instant, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. DAILY (SUNDAYS excepted); the Line of Fire will be in a South-Westerly direction from the Works.

All SHIPS, JUNKS, and other VESSELS are CAUTIONED to keep clear of the Range.

By Command,
W. M. DEANE,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Hongkong, 5th March, 1890. 421

No. 73, WYNDHAM STREET.
BOARD AND RESIDENCE.
COMFORTABLE HOME
FOR SINGLE GENTLEMEN.
MODERATE TERMS.
MRS. KIELLER,
Proprietress.

Hongkong, July 15, 1889. 1357

Intimations.

CATHAY CHAPTER, No. 1165.

A Regular CONVOCATION of the above CHAPTER will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 25th Instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. VISITING BRETHREN are cordially INVITED.

Hongkong, March 25, 1890. 461

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will take place at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on FRIDAY, the 28th Instant, at 4 p.m.

C. EWENS,
General Manager.

Hongkong, March 24, 1890. 540

EAST BORNEO PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL on SATURDAY, the 29th day of March, 1890, at 0.30 p.m., when certain Resolutions necessary to carry out the Reconstruction of the Company (passed at the Extraordinary Meeting of Shareholders held on the 18th Instant) will be put to the Meeting for Confirmation as Special Resolutions. Copies of these Resolutions have been forwarded to the Registered Shareholders in the Company, and Unregistered Holders of Shares can obtain Copies, on application at the OFFICE of Messrs GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
CHAS. F. HARTON,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 15, 1890. 481

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that by the Articles of Association the Fourth (LAST) INSTALMENT of $10 (Ten dollars) per Share (on Shares not fully paid) is due on the 31st of March, 1890. This Instalment will be received at the Registered Office of the above Company, No. 62, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong. Interest at the rate of 12 per cent. per Annum will be charged on Unpaid instalments.

C. EWENS,
General Manager.

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CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1889.

CONTRIBUTORS to the above OFFICE are requested to Furnish the Undersigned with a LIST of their CONTRIBUTIONS for the year ending 31st December, 1889, in Order that the DISTRIBUTION of BONUS may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31ST DAY OF MARCH INSTANT, will be adjusted by the OFFICE, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

Hongkong, March 1, 1890. 394

HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LTD.

TIME TABLE.
(To take effect from 1st November.)

WEEK DAYS.
8 to 10 a.m. every quarter of an hour.
12 " 2 p.m. " half hour.
(TIFFIN CAR at 12.45).
3 to 7.30 p.m. every quarter of an hour.

THURSDAYS.
NIGHT TRAMS at 10.30 and 11 p.m.

SATURDAYS.
NIGHT TRAMS at 8.45 p.m., 9 p.m., 10.30 p.m. and 11 p.m.

SUNDAYS.
10.40 a.m.
12 (noon) to 2 p.m. every quarter of an hour.
3 to 7.30 p.m. every quarter of an hour.

Special CARS may be obtained on application to the SUPERINTENDENT.

Single Tickets are sold in the Cars; Five-Cent Coupons and REDUCED TICKETS at the Office.

MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, October 30, 1889. 2070

DENTISTRY.

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP.
MODERATE FEES.

MR. WONG TAI-FONG,
Surgeon Dentist,
(FORMERLY ACCOMPLISHED APPRENTICE AND LATTERLY ASSISTANT TO DR. ROGERS,)

AT the urgent request of his European and American patients and friends, has TAKEN THE OFFICE formerly occupied by Dr. ROGERS,

NOW HAS
REMOVED
TO
18, *D'AGUILAR STREET*,
behind HONGKONG CLUB.

CONSULTATION FREE.

Hongkong, January 18, 1890. 193

Intimations.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

In the Matter of LI CHUK K'AI, a *Bankrupt.*

NOTICE.—LI CHUK K'AI, of No. 196, Queen's Road, Central, Victoria, Hongkong, lately trading under the Style of 'TSÜN SHING' (成生), COTTON and COTTON YARN Shop, having been adjudged a BANKRUPT under a Petition for adjudication, by CHAN FOOK, a Creditor, filed in the Supreme Court of Hongkong, in Bankruptcy, on the 16th day of January, 1890, is hereby required to surrender himself to EDWARD JAMES ACKROYD, Esquire, the Registrar of the said Court, at the First MEETING of CREDITORS to be held by the said Registrar, on WEDNESDAY, the 9th day of April, 1890, at 12 o'Clock (noon).

The said EDWARD JAMES ACKROYD, Esquire, is the Official Assignee, and Messrs. HOLMES & RODYK, are the Solicitors in the Bankruptcy.

At the said First Meeting of Creditors, the said Registrar will receive the Proofs of the Debts of the Creditors, and the Creditors who shall have proved their Debts, respectively, or the majority in value of the said Creditors, are hereby directed to choose at such Meeting, an Assignee or Assignees of the Bankrupt's Estate and Effects to be called the Creditors' Assignee or Assignees.

All Persons INDEBTED to the said Bankrupt or having in their possession Property belonging to him are required not to pay or hand over the same to any Person or Persons other than the said Official Assignee.

Hongkong, the 24th day of March, 1890.

HOLMES & RODYK,
Solicitors for the Petitioning Creditor.

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THE HONGKONG MARINA, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE First Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the Company, 3, Beaconsfield Arcade, on SATURDAY, the 29th Instant, at Noon.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. A. BARRETTO,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 13, 1890. 466

SONGEI KOYAH PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given to HOLDERS of SHARES in the above Company bearing the following Nos.:—

166/190	2456/2460
266/315	3216/3240
1051/1075	3241/3265
1276/1285	3641/3650
1396/1420	3651/3660
2021/2030	3931/3935
2206/2215	4276/4310
2351/2355	4476/4485
2381/2405	4931/4940

on which the First Call of $15.00 per share, due 16th August, 1889, is still unpaid, that unless said Call, with Interest at the rate of 12 % per annum from 16th August, 1889, be PAID on or BEFORE THE 15TH OF APRIL NEXT, the Shares will be dealt with by the Consulting Committee and General Managers in accordance with their powers.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
General Managers,

Hongkong, March 20, 1890. 523

MRS. FALCONER has VACANCIES for GENTLEMEN RESIDENT BOARDERS at Kowloon.

Kowloon, 5th February, 1890. 235

WINDSOR HOUSE,
HONGKONG,
No. 8, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
PRIVATE BOARD AND RESIDENCE,
AND
FAMILY HOTEL.

This ESTABLISHMENT is situated in a most central position, opposite the Telegraph Office and two doors from the Chartered Bank. It offers FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION to RESIDENTS and TRAVELLERS, has a Spacious DINING ROOM, and a large number of well FURNISHED BED-ROOMS with all comforts. A Good Table kept.

TABLE D'HOTE:—Breakfast, 8.30 a.m.; Tiffin, 1 p.m.; Dinner, 7.30 p.m.

BOARD by the Month, Day, or Single Meals, *at reasonable rates.*

ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE TO SERVE MEALS IN GENTLEMEN'S QUARTERS.

CONTINENTAL LANGUAGES SPOKEN.

MRS. BOHM,
Proprietrix.

Hongkong, August 30, 1889. 1682

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL,.....$5,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL,..... 2,500,000
RESERVE FUND,..... 1,250,000

Board of Directors:

HON. J. J. KESWICK, CHAIRMAN. } *Managing Directors.*
HON. C. P. CHATER, VICE-CHAIRMAN. }
LEE SING, Esq.
S. C. MICHAELSEN, Esq.
J. S. MOSES, Esq.
G. E. NOBLE, Esq.
POON PONG, Esq.
D. R. SASSOON, Esq.

Bankers:

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

MONEY ADVANCED on MORTGAGE, on LAND or BUILDINGS; PROPERTIES PURCHASED AND SOLD.

Estates managed, and all kinds of Agency and Commission Business relating to Land, &c., conducted.

Full Particulars can be obtained at the Company's OFFICES, No. 5, Queen's Road Central.

A SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.

Victoria Buildings,
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1889. 644

Business Notices.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

RECEIVE REGULAR SUPPLIES OF
GROCERIES AND PRESERVED PROVISIONS,
FROM CROSSE & BLACKWELL, J. MOIR & SONS, BLANCHFLOWER, THE CUTTING PACKING COY. AND OTHER FIRST-CLASS PACKERS,
—All Goods of the very Best Quality Procurable.—

Almonds, Anchovies, Apple Sauce, Arrowroot, Asparagus, Bacon, Barley, Bloaters, Bloater Paste, Bologna Sausages, Brawn, Candles, Capers, Catsup, Caviare, Champignons, Cheese, Chocolate, Cocoa, Clams, Chutney, Coffee, Cornflour, Cornmeal, Cracked Wheat, Cranberry Sauce, Curries, Currants, Essences, Extract of Meat, Fruits, Game, Gelatine, Haddocks, Herbs, Herrings, Hominy, Honey, Infant's Food, Isinglass, Jams, Jellies, Lobsters, Maccaroni, Meats, Milk, Mushrooms, Mustard, Oatmeal, Olives, Oysters, Patés, Pepper, Pickles, Pilchards, Potted Meats and Fish, Raisins, Sago, Salad Oil, Salmon, Sardines, Sauces, Sausages, Soups, Spices, Strawberries, Tapioca, Tart Fruits, Tongues, Truffles, Vanilla, Vegetables, Vermicelli, Worcestershire Sauce, &c., &c.

—L. C. & Co.'S SPECIALITIES.—

REDGATE'S Streaky Bacon and York Hams, HUNTLEY & PALMER'S and PEEK FREAN'S Biscuits, Plum Cakes, L. C. & Co.'s French Butter, Calcutta Preserves, L. C. & Co.'s Ground Coffee, Cumshaw Tea, Ceylon Tea, Confiturerie de St. James Jams, Pegwell Bay Essence of Shrimps (for Fish), LAYENDT'S Pickles, PHILLIPS & CUNARD'S Vegetables, &c., Dutch Asparagus in water.

WINES, SPIRITS, BEERS, LIQUEURS, BITTERS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, March 1, 1890. 389

MARINE HOTEL,
HONGKONG.

THE Undersigned begs to notify the Public of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, that he will OPEN the MARINE HOTEL, on or about the 1st May.

THIS FIRST-CLASS HOTEL

Is situated on the Praya, West, opposite the OLD P. & O. WHARF, and is newly built after the designs of the LARGEST EUROPEAN HOTELS—the BEDROOMS, BATH-ROOMS, &c., are commodious, well Ventilated and well Furnished, and are suitable for Single or Married Persons.—The DINING ROOM is large and looks on the Harbour.

The TABLE D'HOTE will be supplied with the best the market can provide.

The BAR and BILLIARD ROOMS are on the Ground Floor, and will be fitted up in superior style. ENGLISH AND AMERICAN TABLES.

WINES and LIQUORS of the best qualities and Brands *only* will be supplied.

The Undersigned therefore begs the patronage of the Public, hoping to give every satisfaction.

JAS. EDWARDS, *Proprietor.* 521

ROBERT LANG & Co.,
Tailors, Hatters, Shirtmakers and Gentlemen's Outfitters.
NEW GOODS.

ULSTERS and INVERNESS CAPES.
CHESTERFIELD and COVERT COATS.
CHEVIOT and SAXONY SUITINGS.
STYLISH TROUSERINGS.
RACING COLORS.
RIDING BREECHES.
LADIES' HABITS.
LADIES' JACKETS.
LADIES' ULSTERS.
&c., &c.

NEW FELT HATS (latest styles).
DRAB SHELL HATS.
Single and Double TERAI HATS.
BOOTS and SHOES.
GENT'S DRESS SHIRTS.
GENT'S UNDERCLOTHING.
TRAVELLING RUGS and MAUDS.
GLADSTONE BAGS.
PORTMANTEAUS.
&c. 200

W. POWELL & Co.
THE ILLUMINATIONS.
5,000 JAPANESE LANTERNS.
5,000 ENGLISH CANDLES.
AT LOW RATES.
TO CLEAR CONSIGNMENTS.
W. POWELL & Co.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, March 22, 1890. 534

Victoria Hotel,
Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

THIS Extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal HOTELS in the place.

The ROOMS are spacious, well ventilated and have just been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner, suited to the requirements of the Far East.

The Accommodation and Service of every kind will be found to be of the best description.

An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is always provided and served in the spacious, large DINING HALL.

The HOTEL also contains handsome and comfortable Reception, READING, BILLIARD and SMOKING ROOMS.

The HOTEL is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service.

Continental languages are spoken.

Messrs. DORABJEE & HING KEE,
Proprietors.

Hongkong, September 16, 1885. 1612

Intimations.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE KWOON KWAN YEEN CHALLENGE CUPS.—Value $200 and $100 respectively. Also TWO CONSOLATION CUPS, value $100 each.

The 2ND STAGE of the SEVENTH COMPETITION will take place NEXT SATURDAY, the 29th Instant, at 2.15 p.m., commencing at 700 Yards. Entrance Fee, 30 Cents.

A Launch will leave the P. & O. Wharf at 2 p.m., to take over intending Competitors.

C.—VIVIAN LADDS,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, March 22, 1890. 536

CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co.,
Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers, Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths.

NAUTICAL, SCIENTIFIC AND METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS.
VOIGTLANDER'S CELEBRATED BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES.
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ADMIRALTY & IMRAY CHARTS, NAUTICAL BOOKS.
English SILVER & ELECTRO-PLATED WARE.
Christofle & Co.'s ELECTRO-PLATED WARE.
GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY in great variety.
DIAMONDS
—AND—
DIAMOND JEWELLERY,
A Splendid Collection of the Latest LONDON PATTERNS, at very *moderate prices.* 749

NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS and ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of the Company's FOREMEN should be at hand, Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the Event of Complaints being found necessary, Communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, August 28, 1888. 1658

Intimations.

H. G. BROWN & COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE First Ordinary General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL on MONDAY, the 31st Inst., at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, and Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1889.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 20th to the 31st March, both days inclusive.

By Order,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, March 15, 1890. 482

AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL AND BUILDING COMPANY LIMITED.

MR. JOHN ANDREW having RESIGNED the SECRETARYSHIP of the Company, Mr. HENRY HUMPHREYS has been appointed ACTING SECRETARY.

The REGISTERED OFFICE has been REMOVED to 36, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL (over the Hongkong Dispensary).

For the Directors,
JNO. D. HUMPHREYS,
Chairman.

15th March, 1890. 503

AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL AND BUILDING COMPANY LIMITED.

MR. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS has been appointed MANAGING DIRECTOR of the above Company,

HENRY HUMPHREYS,
Acting Secretary.

12th March, 1890. 504

Notice of Firm.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of the Undersigned JOHN DODD, in the Firm of Messrs. DODD & Co., at Tamsui and Kelung, Formosa—CHARGE as from the 1st February, 1890. The Business will as from that date be carried on by Mr. TOM GREAVES GOWLAND and Mr. HENRY PERCY WHITE.

JOHN DODD.

Hongkong, March 20, 1890. 524

To Let.

TO LET.

THE RESIDENCE, No. 14, ALBANY ROAD, in occupation of S. C. MICHAELSEN, Esq. (overlooking Botanical Gardens)

Apply to
M. J. D. STEPHENS,
Solicitor,
18, Bank Buildings.

Hongkong, February 11, 1890. 276

TO LET.

THE TOP FLOOR of GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.'s Hong, consisting of Five SPACIOUS ROOMS and Three BATH-ROOMS, suitable either as Offices or Dwelling Apartments.

For terms, apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., LTD.

Hongkong, January 14, 1890. 95

TO LET—AT THE PEAK.

'DUNNOTTAR,' R.B. LOT No. 20, for 1 year. From 15th April, 1890.

Apply to
'B.,'
OFFICE OF THIS PAPER.

Hongkong, February 10, 1890. 266

TO LET.

1ST FLOOR of HOUSE, No. 15, PRAYA CENTRAL.

2ND FLOOR of HOUSE, No. 64, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Apply to
LAI HING & Co.,
No. 153, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, March 21, 1890. 529

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 2, 'SMITH'S VILLAS,' Magazine Gap, a spacious FIVE ROOMED HOUSE, with Basement and Outhouse. Excellent view.

Apply to
F. BLACKHEAD & Co.

Hongkong, July 2, 1889. 1284

TO LET.

ROOMS in 'COLLEGE CHAMBERS,' Nos. 4 and 6, SEYMOUR TERRACE. 'STONEHENGE,' ROBINSON ROAD, from 1st May.

Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, March 12, 1890. 93

TO LET.

FROM 1st February next, Nos. 53, 55 and 57, PEEL STREET.

Apply to
EDWARD GEORGE.

Hongkong, January 9, 1890. 58

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD.

TO LET.

THAT Suite of OFFICES on the FIRST FLOOR of the Company's Premises in ICE HOUSE LANE, at present occupied by Messrs. Holliday, Wise & Co., with *entrance from Queen's Road.* Possession from 1st March next.

Also,

TWO GODOWNS on the GROUND FLOOR which can be let in connection with the above Office, or separately as desired.

And

With immediate possession, ONE ROOM on the FIRST FLOOR of the same Premises, suitable for an OFFICE, with entrance from the *South side of the Building.*

For Full Particulars, apply to the MANAGER at the Depôt, or to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, January 27, 1890. 167

TO LET.

Possession from 1st April.

A SIX-ROOMED HOUSE at the PEAK.

Apply to
DENNYS & MOSSOP,
60, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, February 20, 1890. 337

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

AT THE PEAK.

'THE FALLS' on R. B. L. No. 28.—A Well-built SIX-ROOMED HOUSE, at present let on Lease for one year.

For full Particulars, apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., LTD.

Hongkong, November 12, 1889. 2158

BALL PROGRAMMES
FOR SALE,
IN NEW SHAPES AND PATTERNS.
'CHINA MAIL' OFFICE,
2, WYNDHAM STREET.

Notices to Consignees.

CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *BATAVIA*, FROM VANCOUVER, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, March 24, 1890. 541

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from G. SAOSSE, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 27th of March, 1890, at 2.30 p.m., at his Residence, No. 25, Caine Road,—

THE WHOLE OF HIS
MARINBURK-MADE
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
comprising:—

SILK TAPESTRY-COVERED DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, CHIMNEY GLASSES, CENTRE TABLE, BOOK CASE, PICTURES, VASES, ORNAMENTS, TURKISH CARPET, HEARTH RUGS.

TEAK DINING TABLE, SIDEBOARD with GLASS BACK, CHAIRS, WHATNOTS, BREAKFAST, DINNER and DESSERT SETS, GLASS, PLATED WARE and CUTLERY.

DOUBLE and SINGLE IRON BEDSTEADS with SPRING and HAIR MATTRESS, CHILD'S IRON COT, DOUBLE and SINGLE WARDROBES with PLATE GLASS, MARBLE-TOP WASHSTANDS, TOILET TABLE, COUCH and CHAIRS, ICE BOX, BATH-TUBS, LADY'S CHAIR, &c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after *Wednesday*, the 26th of March.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

F. RAPP
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, March 19, 1890. 518

Shipping.

Steamers.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, *VIA* NAGASAKI AND KOBE.
(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship *Nizam* will leave for the above places at Noon on WEDNESDAY, the 26th Instant.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, March 24, 1890. 538

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAIWANFOO.

The Co.'s Steamship *Thales*, Captain HUNTER, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 27th Inst., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, March 24, 1890. 543

STEAM TO STRAITS AND BOMBAY.
(Calling at COLOMBO *if sufficient inducement offers.)*

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship *Thibet*, Captain W. L. BROWN, will leave for the above places on FRIDAY, the 28th Instant, at Daylight.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, March 19, 1890. 514

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship *Stentor*, Capt. MILLIGAN, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 29th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, March 19, 1890. 519

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

The Co.'s Steamship *Chingtu*, HUNT, Commander, will be despatched as above at Daylight, on SUNDAY, the 30th Inst.

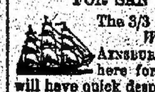
The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First-class Saloon and Cabins are situated forward of the Engines. Second-class Passengers are berthed in the Poop. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, March 7, 1890. 428

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.



The 3/3 *L.1.1.* American Ship *William H. Macy*, AINSBURY, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, March 12, 1890. 457

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

G. M. STANWOOD, Amer. barque, Capt. John Foster.—Butterfield & Swire.

SIN KOLOA, British barque, Captain A. Jensen.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

THORVA, British ship, Captain Colin Fraser.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Entertainments.

TO-MORROW, 26th March.

A CONCERT.

Under the distinguished Patronage of
His Excellency the Administrator, Hon. Francis Fleming, C.M.G.;
His Excellency Vice-Admiral Sir Nowell Salmon, V.C., K.C.B.;
His Excellency Major-General J. B. Edwards, C.B., R.E.;
and in Aid of the Funds of
THE ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL,
will be given by
MAESTRO CATTANEO'S PUPILS,
Kindly assisted by
Mrs Gillies, Miss Howard, & Mr G. Von Wille, in the
St. George's Hall.

Commencing at 9 p.m.

PROGRAMME:

PART I.

1.—March, Faust, by Gounod ..... } *Chorus by Lady and Gentlemen Amateurs.*
2.—Aria, for Soprano, Mia Piccerella, Salvator Rosa, by Gomez ..... } *Miss Ignez d'Almada e Castro.*
3.—Romanza for Baritono, Una ballo in Maschera, by Verdi ..... } *G. Grace.*
4.—Angel's Serenade for Alto, by Braga, with Violin accompaniment ..... *Mrs A. G. Gordon. Mr G. Von Wille.*
5.—Quartette for Sopr., Mezzo sopr., Tenor and Baritone, Rigoletto, by Verdi ..... *Miss E. Carvalho. Mrs M. Guedes. Mr C. Lammert. " G. Lammert.*
6.—Cochucha, for Piano by Raff ..... *Miss C. Souza.*
7.—Grand Aria & Cabaletta for Soprano, I Pirritani, by Bellini ..... *Miss E. Carvalho.*
8.—Largo nel finale, Traviata, by Verdi ..... *Mrs J. D. Humphreys. " R. M. Jamieson. Mr C. Lammert. " E. Figueiredo. " G. Lammert. " E. W. Maitland. " C. Grace. " W. E. Crow. Chorus by Lady & Gentlemen Amateurs.*

TEN MINUTES INTERVAL.

PART II.

1.—Largo finale, Saffo, by Pacini ..... *Mrs G. S. Coxon. Mrs H. Lightwood. Miss M. Lammert. Mr E. L. Hunter. Mr G. Lammert. Mr J. M. Laing. Mr J. Kraal. Chorus by Lady & Gentlemen Amateurs.*
2.—Grand Aria for Soprano, Aida, by Verdi ..... *Miss Howard.*
3.—Trio for Soprano, Tenor, and Bass, Lombardi, by Verdi ..... *Miss E. Carvalho. Mr C. Lammert. Mr W. E. Crow.*
4.—Song—She wandered down the Mountain Side, for Soprano, by Clay ..... *Mrs J. D. Humphreys.*
5.—Paraphrase on Walter's Preislied, from 'Meistersinger,' R. Wagner, for Violino & piano ..... *Mr G. Von Wille and Mrs D. Gillies.*
6.—Una voce poco fa Cavatina for Mezzo Soprano, Barbiere di Siviglia, by Rossini ..... *Mrs M. Guedes.*
7.—Duet, Soprano and Baritone, Rigoletto, by Verdi ..... *Mrs G. S. Coxon. Mr C. Grace.*
8.—Grand Walzer Concertato, Tutti in Maschera, by Pedrotti ..... *Miss E. Carvalho. Mrs M. Guedes. Mr C. Lammert. " E. W. Maitland. " G. Lammert. " W. E. Crow. Chorus of Lady & Gentlemen Amateurs.*

Tickets not less than $2 each, to be had from Maestro Cattaneo and his Pupils, and from Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co., Messrs Kelly & Walsh, Ld., or Messrs Kruse & Co.

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To-day's Advertisements.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship *CHINA* will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 17th April, at 1 p.m., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—

To San Francisco	$225.00
To San Francisco and return, available for 6 months	393.75
To Liverpool	325.00
To London	330.00

To other European points at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Passengers by this Line have the option of proceeding overland by the Southern Pacific and connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 %. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further Information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

O. D. HARMAN,
Agent.

Hongkong, March 25, 1890. 547

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL.
The Fashionable Evening Resort.
LAST WEEK!
THIS (TUESDAY) EVENING, the 25th March, 1890.

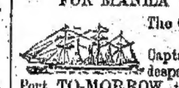
Under the patronage of His Excellency Major-General J. B. EDWARDS, C.B., R.E.

SOCIETY'S RE-UNIONS.
Triumphant Success of the renowned & only HUDSON'S SURPRISE PARTY,
The Donators of Refined Mirth & Music.
An Entertainment without Equal in Anglo-American Minstrelsy.
Original in Conception from Start to Finish.
Glorious and Enthusiastic Reception of the Present Monster Programme.
Our Unique Combination received Last Night by
An audience that was demonstrative in its welcome, and yet keenly discriminative and unbiassed in its judgment. WHAT MORE could a Company WISH FOR?
HUDSON'S SURPRISE PARTY
is
An unqualified success, by their educated ability.
LAST NIGHT'S PERFORMANCE
Instantaneously caught, and continuously held, the appreciation of the audience, and made them ROAR and SCREAM with delight!!

Admission as usual. Smiling begins 9 p.m. Box Office open at Messrs Kelly & Walsh's.
Thos. P. Hudson, *Proprietor & Manager.*
Hongkong, March 25, 1890. 544

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA *VIA* AMOY.



The Co.'s Steamship *Diamante*, Captain Tayler, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 26th Instant, at 4 o'Clock p.m., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers.

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THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON.

The Co.'s Steamship *Ningchow*, Wm. Durbin, Comm'dr, will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 6th Prox.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents.

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PROGRAMME OF SKY RACES
to be held on the
RACE COURSE, WONG-NEI-CHONG,
kindly lent by the Stewards of the Hongkong Jockey Club,
on
SATURDAY, the 12th April, 1890,
under the auspices of
THE HONGKONG POLO CLUB.

First saddling bell to be rung at 1.30 p.m.

1st—Polo Scurry Cup, presented by the Officers of the A. & S. Highlanders. For all *bonâ fide* Polo Ponies, ½-mile heats, without dismounting, best 2 out of 3, catch weights over 11 stone. Entrance, $2.

2nd—The Tai Ma Fong Cup, presented by Mr. J. Kennedy, ¾-mile. For all subscription Griffins of this and last year that have never been placed, weight for inches as per scale. Entrance, $5. 2nd $15, 3rd to save stake.

3rd—The Way-hoong Cup, presented, Steeple-Chase for all China Ponies, catch weights over 11 stone. Three times round the Steeple-chase Course. Entrance $5. 2nd $15, 3rd to save stake.

4th—The Farewell Cup, presented by H. N. Mody, Esq., one mile handicap for all China Ponies. Entrance $5. 2nd $15, 3rd to save stake.

5th—The Half Mile Flat Race, open to all Non-commissioned Officers and Men of the Garrison, Navy and Police. First Prize, $15; Second Prize, $10; Third Prize, $5; Entrance free.

6th—The V Cup, presented by J. D. Humphreys, Esq., Steeple-chase for all subscription Griffins of this and last season and *bonâ fide* Polo Ponies and Hacks. Catch weights over 11 stone. Twice round the Steeple-chase Course. Entrance, $5. 2nd, $15, 3rd to save stake.

7th—The Brokers' Cup, presented by the Share Brokers of Hongkong. ½-mile, for all China Ponies, weight for inches as per scale. Ponies other than subscription Griffins, Hacks, and Polo Ponies 10lbs. extra. Entrance, $5. 2nd $15, 3rd to save stake.

8th—The Ladies' Nomination distance handicap. Half-mile for all *bonâ fide* Polo Ponies; name of Rider, who must be a Member of the Polo Club, to accompany entry. Entrance $2. Prizes to the nominators of the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Ponies.

9th—The Champion Cup, presented by Honourable C. P. Chater, 1¼ mile. Open to all China Ponies. Winner of the Farewell Cup 10lbs. extra, winner of Brokers' Cup 7lbs. extra. Entrance $5. 2nd $15, 3rd to save stake.

CONDITIONS.

The meeting will be run under The Hongkong Jockey Club rules, with the exception of No 6, which will be as follows:—

All Ponies entered at this meeting need not necessarily be the property of the person entering them, but must be nominated and run by the same *person* throughout the meeting; all Ponies must be owned and ridden by the Members of the following Clubs only:—

The Hongkong Club,
" Jockey Club,
" Polo Club,
" German Club,
" Lusitano Club.

With the exception of Races Nos. 4, 7, and 9, Jockeys will be required to weigh in only.

Only those Ponies that ran or could have run as Polo Ponies and Hacks at the last Hongkong Race Meeting constitute Polo Ponies and Hacks at this Meeting, and are to be passed by the Committee of the Polo Club.

Entries to close on the 5th April at 6 p.m. to Major Fletcher, R.A., Royal Artillery Mess, College Gardens.

Tickets of Admission to the Grand Stand and Enclosure, $1.

Members of the Jockey Club and Ladies free.

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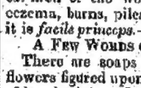
To-day's Advertisements.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI *VIA* AMOY.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEWCHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW *and Ports on the* YANGTSZE.)



The Co.'s Steamship *Anchises*, Captain Latage, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 26th Instant, at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, March 25, 1890. 515

WANTED for the S.S. *BATAVIA*, a STEWARDESS. One who has been at Sea preferred.

Apply to 18, STANLEY STREET.

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DAKIN BROTHERS OF CHINA, LIMITED,
Special Agents for
VINOLIA PREPARATIONS.
A Few Words on 'Vinolia.'

The reception and widely established substantial reputation of Vinolia are due to the fact that it fulfils a function which nothing has ever done in the same measure. It is bland and soothing, yet free from narcotics and other toxic ingredients. It is noteworthy that it is not sticky or greasy, and also that it is the only unguent that will wash off. It is the only agent that will relieve the most intolerable itching every time; thus in all forms of skin irritation its usefulness is supreme. The leading medical men of the world prescribe it. For eczema, burns, piles, chaps, chilblains, &c., it is *facile princeps*.—Per Tin, 75 cents.

A Few Words on 'Vinolia' Soap.

There are soaps and soaps—soaps with flowers figured upon them in *bas-relief*, soaps of lovely tints and rare and attractive perfume, and soaps as cheap as dirt. But a goodly outside is no voucher of a goodly substance. So we find alkalies lurking in even finest toilet soaps, and cauterising the skin, drying it, and predisposing it to all manner of troubles, and aggravating diseases already established. Vinolia Soap is superfatted, lathers freely, does not crack, and wears away slowly. Another thing: It contains less water than any other soap. It is not generally known that 'the cow with the iron tail' has yielded as much soap as milk! There are plenty of soaps containing forty per cent. of water. On this score alone Vinolia Soap is the cheapest of all soaps.

In boxes of 3 Tablets, Toilet, $1.25.
In boxes of 3 Tablets, Medical $1.00.
Nos. 22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. 542

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 25, 1890:—

Nimpo, German steamer, from Whampoa.
Pekin, British steamer, 2,133, P. Harris, Shanghai March 22, Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
Thales, British str., 820, W. Y. Hunter, Taiwanfoo March 21, Amoy 22 and Swatow 24, General.—Douglas Steamship Co.

DEPARTURES.

March 25:—

Cordelia, British cruiser, for Manila.
Alwine, for Hoihow and Pakhoi.
Glenogyle, for Shanghai.
Bombay, for Singapore and London.
Guthrie, for Nagasaki and Kobe.
Strathearn, for Saigon.
City of Rio de Janeiro, for San Francisco.
Tartar, for Sourabaya and Sydney.

CLEARED.

Conqueror, for San Francisco.
Anchises, for Amoy and Shanghai.
Tai Lee, for Saigon.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Pekin*, from Shanghai:—for Hongkong, Mr D. A. Gubbay and native servant, Mr Cunradi, Mrs Price and ayah, Messrs J. Walter, Brum, B. Peterson, Solomon, and 5 Chinese; for Venice, Mrs A. Deane Cooper, and Miss Barney; for Brindisi, Mr R. Wilson, and Mr C. W. Dyce; for London, Mrs Carles, infant and ayah, Mr and Mrs Allen, child, 2 infants and 3 amahs, and Mr L. Webster. From Yokohama:—for London, Mr R. H. Wright.

Per *Thales*, from Swatow, 134 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Alivie*, for Hoihow, 80 Chinese.

Per *Guthrie*, for Kobe, 6 Japanese, Dr. and Mrs Cantlie.

Per *Bombay*, for Marseilles, Mr F. G. Figg; for London, Mr and Miss Dodd, Mr and Mrs Crump, Surg.-Major G. B. Stuart, Mrs Dickie and 2 infants, Mr Dickie, Mrs Georg Sachse and 3 children.

Per *City of Rio de Janeiro*, for Yokohama, Mr and Mrs C. A. Tomes and native servant, Mr and Mrs Suzuki, child and 2 native servants, and 1 Chinese; for San Francisco, Mr Shoemaker, and Mrs Putman and child; for Liverpool, Mr A. H. Flint, Mr and Mrs Morse, Mr and Mrs Wilson, and Miss Faircy; for London, Mr Geo. Waghorn, Mr O. H. Tripp, Miss Hickson, Miss Sonce, and Miss Bates.

TO DEPART.

Per *Tartar*, for Sydney, 3 Europeans.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Thales* reports Taiwanfoo to Amoy, calm and thick fog throughout. Amoy to Swatow, light variable airs, smooth sea and light haze the first part, latter dense fog. Swatow to port fresh N.E. breeze, moderate sea, overcast and hazy. Steamers at Amoy, *Hailoung, Niersteiu, Swatow* and *Woosung*.

EXPORT CARGOES.

Per S. S. *Oceanic*, sailed March 13th:—For Yokohama, 1,755 bags Rice, 5,000 bags Sugar and 178 pkgs. Merchandise; for Honolulu, 312 bags Rice, 290 bags Beans, 279 pkgs. Merchandise, and 6 cases Silks; for San Francisco, 37,943 bags Rice, 398 bags Beans, 25 bags Sugar, 221 bags Coffee, 150 bags Pepper, 54 bags Tapioca, 2,236 boxes Nut Oil, 69 boxes Prepared Opium, 8 cases Silks, 60 bales Cloves, 500 bales Hemp, 288 bales Gambier, 270 bales Gunnies, and 5,894 pkgs. Merchandise; for San Jose de Guatemala, 1 case Silks; for Callao, 3 cases Silks, and 32 cases Merchandise; for Valparaiso, 10 cases Silks and 5 cases Merchandise; for New York, 91 pkgs. Merchandise, 20 cases Silks, 25 cases Raw Silk, 255 bales Raw Silk.

Per S. S. *Sachsen*, sailed 16th March:—For London, 85 cases Essential Oil, 2 cases Curios, and 33 bales Tobacco from Manila; for Bremen, 25 rolls Matting, 2 boxes Silks, 8 boxes Sundries, 7 cases Cigars and 9 cases Curios from Manila; for Antwerp, 84 rolls Matting, 110 bales Feathers 64 cases Bristles, 4 cases Preserves, 85 bales Tobacco from Manila, and 5 bales Merchandise; for Genoa, 10 boxes Essential Oil, 8 pkgs. Canes and 3 cases Colours; for Rotterdam, 50 cases Preserves, 18 cases Tea, and 2 cases Cigars from Manila; for Copenhagen, 4 boxes Sundries; for Singapore, 96 pkgs. deck Cargo, and 20 boxes Treasure value $10,000; for Hamburg, 136 pkgs. Fire Crackers, 45 boxes Essential Oil, 2 rolls Matting, 1 case Sundries, 1 case Cigars and 2 bags Coffee from Manila; for Antwerp, Hamburg, 25 cases Bristles; for Amsterdam, 100 cases Ginger; for Smyrna, 20 boxes Essential Oil; for Buenos Ayres, 53 cases Curios and 6 cases Blackwoodware.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For AMOY & SHANGHAI.—
Per *Anchises*, at 9.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 26th inst.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
Per *Nizam*, at 10.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 26th inst.

For SAIGON.—
Per *Tai Lee*, at 10.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 26th inst.
Per *Moray*, at 4.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 26th inst.

For AMOY & MANILA.—
Per *Diamante*, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 26th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For SWATOW, AMOY, & TAIWANFOO.
Per *Thales*, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday, the 26th inst.

MAILS by the French Packet.—

The French Contract Packet *Melbourne* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd April with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, *viâ Marseilles*; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, Madras, the Australasian Colonies, Aden, Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

Business Notices.

HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY, LD.
(LATE THE HALL & HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE COY., LTD.)

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S OUTFITTERS.
DRESSMAKERS.
MILLINERS.
MANTLE-MAKERS.

NOVELTIES for SUMMER WEAR.

HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY, LD.
(LATE THE HALL & HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE COY., LTD.) 494

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.—March 25, 1890

Stocks	Nos. of Shares.	Value.	Paid-up.	Closing Quotations, Cash.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Cor.	50,000	$ 125	all	$193 ½ prem., sellers
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 50	$125, ex div.
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ld.	24,000	$ 83.33	$ 25	$71
Chinese Insurance Co., Limited	1,500	$ 1,000	$ 200	$150, nominal
North-China Insurance Co., Ld.	5,000	£ 200	£ 50	Tls. 350
Straits Insurance Co., Ld.	30,000	$ 100	$ 20	$23
Union Insurance Society Co., Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 25	$100
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ld.	8,000	£ 25	all	Tls. 90
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 100	$ 20	$85, ex div.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	3,000	$ 250	$ 50	$355
Straits Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 100	$ 20	$16
FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCES.				
Singapore Insurance Company, Ld.	40,000	$ 100	$ 20	$15, nom.
DOCKS.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., L.	12,500	$ 125	all	54 % prem.
STEAMBOATS.				
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ld.	3,500	$ 50	all	$105
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	$ 50	all	$61
H.K. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ld.	80,000	$ 20	all	$33, sellers
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited	60,000	$ 10	all	15 % dis., sellers
Steam Launch Company, Limited	2,000	$ 50	$ 30	par, buyers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	15,000	$ 100	all	$213, buyers
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	$ 100	all	$69, buyers
WHARVES.				
HK. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	20,000	$ 50	all	$98
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	$ 100	$ 50	$96
Kowloon Land and Building Company,	6,000	$ 50	$ 30	$17, buyers
Peak Building Company,	.....	.....	$ 7	$10
Richmond Terrace Building Co.	.....	.....	$ 100	$200
Shanghai Land Company,	.....	.....	Tls. 20	Tls. 24
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	$ 50	$ 40	$47, sales
TRAMWAYS.				
HK. High-Level Tramways Co., Ld	1,200	$ 100	all	$200 ½ prem.
MINING.				
Jelebu Mining & Trading Co., Ld.	4,500	$ 5	all	$4½
Punjom & Sungkie Dua Sambatan Mining Co.	6,000	$ 10	all	$16
Selama Tin Mining Company, Limited	115000	$ 5	$ 2	$3½
	25,000	$ 5	$ 5	$7
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	8,000	Fcs. 500	Fs. 50	$475
PLANTING, ETC.				
China-Borneo Company, Limited	7,500	$ 100	$ 50	$45 nom.
Darvel Bay Trading Company, Ld.	4,000	$ 25	$ 5	$8 nom.
East Borneo Planting Co., Limited	4,000	$ 50	$ 40	$50 nom.
Labuk Planting Company, Limited	5,000	$ 50	$ 10	$10 nom.
Songei Koyah Planting Co., Ld.	6,000	$ 50	$ 40	$30 nom.
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited	6,000	$ 50	all	$50, buyers
The Lamag Planting Co., Limited	6,000	$ 50	$ 25	$40 nom.
HOTELS, ETC.				
Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited	4,000	$ 50	$ 25	5 % dis.
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ld. 3,000 shs. issued	3,000	$ 100	all	$200
Peak Hotel & Trading Co., Limited	4,000	$ 5	$ 2	$25
Borneo Hotel and Stores Co., Ld.	1,000	$ 50	$ 3	$32 nom., ex div.
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	50,000	$ 10	all	$22, cash
Cruickshank & Co., Limited	1,600	$ 5	all	$15, sellers
LIGHTING.				
HK. and China Gas Co., Limited	5,100	£ 10	all	
New Shares	1,900	£ 10	£ 7.10	$13½, sellers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	30,000	$ 10	$ 6	$8, cash
BRICK AND CEMENT.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 50	$ 40	$40, nom.
Hongkong Brick & Cement Co., Ld.	4,000	$ 25	$17.50	$13
MISCELLANEOUS.				
A. G. Gordon & Co., Limited	6,000	$ 25	$ 20	$20
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	$ 10	all	$11
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	$ 25	$ 25	$25
H'kong Ice Making Company, Ld.	600	$ 50	all	$80, nominal
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	3,000	$ 10	all	$12, nom.
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	$ 25	all	$108
H'kong Rope Manufactory Co., L.	3,000	$ 50	all	$109
Marinburk Furniture Co., Ld.	3,000	$ 25	$ 6	$7

LOANS.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1884	$1,394,700.14	$500	8 % p. annum	3 % prem., nominal.
Chinese Imperial 1887	$1,594,700.14	$500	8 " "	5 % prem. "
	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7 " "	14 % prem. "
DEBENTURES.				
Hongkong Hotel Mortgage Debentures, 1889	$ 400,000.00	$500	6 % prem.	$501

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SAIGON.—
Per *Arochie*, at 11.30 a.m., on Thursday, the 27th inst.

For STRAITS & BOMBAY.—
Per *Thibet*, at 5 p.m., on Thursday, the 27th inst.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VANCOUVER, B.C.—
Per *Batavia*, at 11.30 a.m., on Thursday, the 3rd April.

MAILS by the British Packet.—

The British Contract Packet *Pekin* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 26th Instant, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and countries beyond, *viâ Brindisi*; to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

HOURS OF CLOSING THE ENGLISH AND FRENCH MAILS.

When the Packets leave at Noon.

The following hours will be observed in closing the Mails for Europe, &c., by the English and French Packets, when they leave at Noon. The Money Order Office will be closed at 5 the day before.

8.00 A.M.—Posting of Prices Current and Circulars ceases.
(Prices Current and Circulars may however be posted up to 10 o'clock if they are tied in bundles, country by country, with the addresses all one way).
10.00 A.M.—Registry ceases.
10.30 A.M.—Posting of Newspapers, Books, and Patterns ceases.
11.00 A.M.—Mail closes.
☞ Late Letters may be posted (from 11.10 A.M.) *with 10 cents late fee* up to 11.30 A.M., after which hour they may be sent on Board with the same Late Fee.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

10 a.m.—*Anchises* leaves for S'hai, &c.
Noon.—*Nizam* leaves for Japan.
Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.
4 p.m.—*Diamante* leaves for Manila, &c.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—Concert in the St. George's Hall.

Miscellaneous.

9 a.m.—Artillery Practice.

General Memoranda.

Thursday, March 27:—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, at the Residence of Mr G. Sachse, No. 23, Chine Road.

Friday, March 28:—
4 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel.
Goods per *Preussen* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Saturday, March 29:—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong Marina, Ld., at No. 3, Beaconsfield Arcade.
0.30 p.m.—Extraordinary Meeting of Shareholders of the East Borneo Co., Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel.
2.15 p.m.—Competition of the Hongkong Rifle Association.

Monday, March 31:—
List of Contributions to the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., to be sent in before this date.

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DEATH

At Bournemouth, yesterday, the 24th Instant, in the 67th year of her age, Anne Shibley, the Wife of Mr. J. J. Francis, of Hongkong.

☞ *The publication of this issue commenced at 7.15 p.m.*

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 1890.

For some weeks past there have been persistent rumours in the Colony that some of the chief promoters of the Praya Reclamation scheme are—to use a slang expression—getting sick of the business and would be delighted if the commencement of the project were postponed for, someday, two years, others, five. The cause assigned for this great *volte face* is the tightness of money in the Colony. 'There is no money in the place to carry this big work through,' say some who a few months ago held the most sanguine views with regard to the reclamation and pictured the result in the most glowing terms. But although the scarcity of money is the chief reason given for the desired postponement, there are doubtless other potent influences at work. The Chinese are said to be 'setting their backs up' against the exorbitant rents that are demanded. House property is not letting so freely as it used to do. Several hundreds of houses are standing unoccupied. The principal marine lot-owners, as large holders of land, do not view with pleasure the prospect of a fall in rents which might swallow up all, or nearly all, the profits anticipated from the reclamation. However beneficial such a fall might be to the trade of the Colony, it would not of course suit their interests, and *chacun pour soi* is the very essence of Hongkong morality.

As consistent protesters against the way in which this reclamation scheme has been mismanaged, we are somewhat tempted to exclaim 'we told you so.' But it would do little good now to recapitulate old history. The great question is, what will be the effect of the proposed postponement. The Government, as far as we are able to construe the hotch-potch ordinance which authorises and regulates the carrying out of the reclamation, have entered into a contract with the marine lot-owners to do the work; and they have received from all but a few of the contracting parties one-fourth of the estimated cost. That contract, if we are not mistaken, cannot be broken without the consent of all interested. It is possible that those who have discovered the tightness of the money will bring their fellow lot-holders to look at the matter from their point of view; but if what we hear is true there are some of the Chinese owners who are looking forward with impatience to the completion of the reclamation in front of their lots, and these may not prove very pliable. The delaying of the scheme would not be an unmixed evil. It is impossible to conceive that the Government, if the present arrangements are upset, will be so foolish, again as to sell their birthright to private individuals for a mess of pottage; and of course that frightful legislative abortion, the Reclamation Ordinance, will be a dead letter. Had the work gone on under the present arrangement we fear that innumerable difficulties would have been encountered in the course of construction. The plans were defective, the measurements wrong, and the system of construction resolved on is antiquated and such as would have entailed as much trouble with the future foreshore as we have with the present. Meantime, if the Government are alive to the true interests of the Colony, the landlords need not have everything in their own hands. The opening up of Kennedy Road, the removal of the Gaol, Post Office and Court-house and possibly of the barracks in the centre of the city will provide sufficient means of expansion for a year or two to come. And if Mr MacEwen's scheme for the removal of all the brothels to the Western or Eastern outskirts, which has already received the sanction of the Government, is carried out, still more room will be provided. The overcrowding and high rents are not so much the result of a want of space for building purposes—there is plenty of vacant ground in the Eastern and Western districts—as of bad laws and bad management. The people won't spread unless they are made to spread. The reclamation scheme, even if those who are working for its postponement succeed, will be carried out some day in the not far distant future, and will be done, we hope, by the Government for the benefit of the Colony. The attempt to give the whole reclamation to a few frontage owners—an injustice which was only tardily rectified, and the rectification of which perhaps tended to make some of the favoured ones less enthusiastic for the scheme—will not likely be repeated.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

Outward Bound:—*Glamorganshire, Eurydice*, 28; *Ulysses*, Mar. 4; *Oopack, Northern*, 7; *Polyhymnia, Bentavig, Telemachus*, 11; *Eze, Mogul*, 14; *Jason, Petrochus, Occanden*, 18.

Homeward Bound:—*Frigga*, March 7; *Prometheus*, 11; *Bellerophon, Brunswick, Caledonien*, 14; *Glenorchy, Peninsular*, 18.

The M. M. Co.'s steamer *Yangtse*, with the French mail of Feb. 21st, left Saigon on Tuesday, March 25, at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Thursday, March 27th. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on Jan. 15.

The Canadian Pacific s. s. *Abyssinia* left Vancouver for Japan, &c., on the 18th March.

The s. s. *Japan*, with mails, &c., from Calcutta, left Singapore on 19th March, and may be expected here on or about the 25th March.

The D. D. R. s.s. *Daphne* left Singapore on the 22nd March, at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 28th March.

The Glen Line steamship *Glenparry*, from London, left Singapore on March 22nd, and may be expected here on or about the 29th March.

The N. G. L. s.s. *Lisagno*, from Bombay, left Singapore on the 22nd March, and may be expected here on or about the 29th March.

The steamship *Glenco*, from Liverpool, left Singapore for this port on the 23rd March, and may be expected here on or about the 30th March.

The P. & O. extra steamer *Venetia* left Bombay for this port on the 9th Mar.

The M. M. Co.'s S. S. *Tonkin*, with the next French mail, left Saigon to-day at 3 p.m. for this port.

We would remind our readers of the Concert to be given in aid of the Alice Memorial Hospital, by Mr Cattaneo's pupils, in St. George's Hall to-morrow evening.

Copies of the address to the Duke of Connaught have been placed for signature in the Hongkong Club, the Club Germania, and the Lusitano Club, in addition to the places we mentioned last night. The signed sheets will be collected on Friday.

During the 'blow' on Sunday evening a cargo boat heavily laden with sugar, which was lying off the Kowloon Wharves, was swamped. All the boat people succeeded in getting on board neighbouring boats except two girls, one aged thirteen and the other aged six, who were drowned.

The Band of the A. & S. Highlanders will play the following programme at the School Athletic Sports to-morrow afternoon:—

March.....'Daniel'.....Moore.
Valse.....'The Grenadiers'....Waldteufel.
Selection...'Mikado'.....Sullivan.
Dance.....'Hungarian'.....Brahms.
Galop.....'Politechnicker'....Kühner.

We regret to hear that Mr H. E. Wodehouse has been obliged to take a respite from duty on account of the state of his health. During his retirement, which we hope will not necessarily be of long duration, his place as Police Magistrate will be taken by Captain Rumsey, Harbour Master. Mr Rumsey presided in the Police Court to-day and disposed of a number of cases.

A party of police under Sergt. Butlin raided a public gambling house at No. 61 Wellington Street early this morning. There was the usual stampede, but the police managed to get hold of the master of the den and his accountant. These two were brought before Mr Rumsey in the Police Court to-day, and sentenced to 4 week's hard labour, without the option of a fine.

The vote for the increased military contribution which will be proposed at the meeting of the Legislative Council to-morrow will not be passed without a protest by the unofficial members. In Singapore the unofficials stubbornly resisted the increase,—the vote being only carried by the Government majority. And after it was passed, the Council unanimously adopted a resolution that the sum demanded was more than the Colony should be called upon to undertake, 'bearing in mind that by far the larger proportion of British trade passing through the Straits does not belong to, and only indirectly benefits the Settlements, and that the protection of Singapore as a Naval Station, independent of any advantage to the Colony, is, from its position, of paramount necessity to the maintenance of the Empire in this quarter of the world.' The Hongkong unofficials, we believe, will not vote against the proposal that the contribution be increased to £40,000, but they will move an amendment to the latter part of the motion providing that the money be not charged to the Colony until the garrison is sent out.

A couple of Chinese fortune-tellers, who seem either to have exercised their art with remarkable skill, or to have got hold of a dupe of the most credulous kind, were brought to the Central Police Station to-day on a charge of stealing money by means of a trick. The complainant, a fairly well-dressed Chinawoman said she had been ill for some time and went to consult the fortune-tellers about her health. One of them, after communing with a joss, solemnly informed her that there was a devil in her house who must be driven away before she could ever expect to feel well again. The other fortune-teller was of the same opinion, and the thing was placed entirely beyond dispute when the woman was made to believe by a very simple contrivance that she heard the joss make a similar assertion. The joss trick having succeeded so well in the first trial, it was kept up, and the poor woman in making the subsequent arrangements for the expulsion of the devil always covered her head with a cloth and put a tube to her ear and listened to the words of the wooden deity. At the other end of the tube one of the fortune-tellers endeavoured to talk as like a joss as he could, and although his remarks revealed a very mercenary disposition they were all taken in good faith. By this means, it was said, some thirty dollars and a quantity of clothing were squeezed by the fortune-tellers from the woman, who, as she got no better, took the advice of a sceptical friend and explained the matter to the police.

The competition between the *Kowshing* and *Ichang* appears to be good for travellers if not for the companies, as the former vessel brought up 596 passengers and the latter 471 on the last trip from Ningpo.—*N.-C. Daily News.*

It used to be a common complaint years ago that washermen wore the foreign clothing given them to wash. At the Mixed Court, Shanghai, the other day, four men were charged with unlawfully dressing in foreign clothing which had been given them to wash. They were each fined $10.

Lieutenant-Colonel Jerrard, West Riding Regiment, has been appointed D.A.A.G. here, in place of Captain Yeatherd, whose time is up, and he is expected here shortly. Lieutenant-Colonel Jerrard was promoted Captain in the 91st from the 8th Regiment on the 23rd June, 1875, but he never joined us, having exchanged on the 22nd September, 1875, with Maj. r O'Sullivan, late of the Battalion.—*Regimental News.*

The following specimen of composition has been handed us (*N.-C. Daily News*):—'Dear Sir, You will kindly excuse me if I do misadvent a vacancy Endeavouring with all efforts to make myself an apprentice in * * * I come with this note to demand in your supplicating favour to accept me. I am just coming out * * school which references I could produce if required. If you do accept me I will try my best to give entire satisfaction in my appointed works.'

The programme in regard to the reception of the Duke and Duchess of Connaught in Shanghai has been arranged as far as the Committee is concerned, and all that is wanted is their Royal Highnesses' approval. There is to be a night fire parade, with torchlight procession. The Municipal Council will go to the expense of illuminating the Bund. The residents on the Bund are to be invited to co-operate by illuminating their houses.

The *Hyogo News* has the highest authority for saying that a cablegram has been received from Mr. Frank Upton, stating that he has been successful in signing a contract with the Railway Company, and that the steamers of the new Trans-Pacific steamer service from Kobe will therefore be running before the summer.

A story comes from Tientsin of a great round mill-stone as big as a cart-wheel having been seen drifting down the Peiho. The sight of a stone floating astonished the credulous poor folk along the banks, who had all kinds of wild theories to account for a fact which appears by no means proved to be a fact. Some said it was a star fallen from the sky, which would promptly change into a water-dragon when descried by earthly eyes; and sure enough, down it dived when a boat put off to examine it. Others said Hoperh (the Chinese Neptune), in need of a stone to repair his palace of crystal, had sent a *yaksha* to get it from *terra firma*.—*Hu Pao.*

Hongkong in a High Hat.—Under this title the *Chinese Times* has an article on the paper recently read before the Colonial Institute by Mr W. Keswick. The article opens as follows:—'It never rains but it pours. Sir William des Voux dishes up his colony in a dainty despatch. The *Times* moralizes in a leading article. And then, in the same week, we have the meeting of the Colonial Institute, when the "princely house," with all the weight of prolonged commercial success and that love for hard facts which is characteristic of the Scot, expounds to an influential rather than numerous audience the unparalleled growth of the Malta and Gibraltar of the Far East.' The article ends as follows:—

'All hail! Hongkong, the barren eastern island;
All hail! Hongkong, the chief port in the world;
All hail! Hongkong, thou shalt be first hereafter.
So, China and Hongkong all hail.
Hung Hei Fa Tsai, Hongkong and China.'

Writing on the Chungking fizzle, the *Chinese Times* says:—It is not, of course, always possible to compel a complete adherence to treaty engagements, for if the Chinese choose to be obstinate the *ultima ratio* will not be resorted to until circumstances are peculiarly favourable, or the cup has overflowed. But it is always possible to withhold condonation, and we have often remarked on the superior methods of Russia in such matters. Russia has for many years had a somewhat similar question respecting the navigation of the Songari and Usuri rivers in Manchuria; but far from acquiescing in China's default, she turns the situation created by that country to most excellent account for her own benefit, and perhaps to China's irrevocable discomfiture. Great Britain has held weapons such as no other power ever did, by which she could in the most peaceful and passive manner possible have kept the mastery in her Chinese diplomacy. But she threw them away, asking for no equivalent.

Some of the provisions of the private treaty between Japan and Corea have transpired; they are:—

I.—By an edict of the King of Corea, red ginseng may be exported from Corea to Japan on payment of an export duty of 20 per cent. *ad valorem.*

II.—The Emperor of Japan permits the importation of the above into his Empire subject to an import duty of 3 per cent. *ad valorem.*

III.—Foreign piece-goods which have already paid import duty on importation into Japan, may be exported to Corea without paying export duty in Japan, and in addition to this, when such are exported to Corea, the import duty already paid in Japan is to be refunded to the payer.

IV.—Foreign piece-goods imported into Corea from Japan will pay an import duty of 5 per cent. *ad valorem* to the Corean Customs, instead of 7½ as they pay now.

V.—Phyongyang (P'ingyang) to be opened to foreign trade on the same conditions as the ports already opened, Jenchuan and Fusan.—*N.-C. Daily News.*

According to a graceful little custom they have in Austria of assembling to congratulate a person on the feast of the saint after whom he is named, a large number of Austrian residents in Shanghai, and friends of various other nationalities, assembled at the Austro-Hungarian Consulate, on the 19th inst., to convey their good wishes to Mr Joseph von Haas, the Austro-Hungarian Consul-General, it being the feast of Saint Joseph, to whom the popular official owes his Christian name. Mr S. Tialjar, the Consular Secretary, took the occasion to present Mr von Haas with a new standard of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, a really beautiful piece of silken bunting, as well as pendant, for the flagstaff at the Consulate, and accompanied his gift with a few well-chosen expressions of congratulation and good-will for his chief. The presentation took place at 8 o'clock, and when the flag was hoisted, the Town Band struck up 'Gott erhalte Franz den Kaiser,' the Austro-Hungarian National Anthem. A *dejeuner* was spread for the party in the dining room of the Consulate, at which Mr. von Haas entertained his friends. The health of the Emperor Francis Joseph was proposed by the Consul-General, and that of 'Our Host' was proposed by Mr. Carl Bock, Acting Consul-General for Sweden and Norway, and 'his charming young wife,' a toast which was honoured with three hearty cheers, by Mr. Blondin. The Town Band played a selection of pieces during the repast, and after a number of other toasts had been drunk, and an animated quarter of an hour spent, the party retired.—*Mercury.*

The *Regimental News* relates the following experiences of the Race Meeting:—Our recollections of the Race Meeting of 1890 are not such as to give any pleasure in writing of them. It is no doubt very good fun watching races if you are not interested in the result, but when you are, and the animal you have put your money on comes in last, you are apt to criticise the dispensations of providence, and when several times in succession you have had to tear up totalisator tickets you feel that racing is a delusion and a snare, and so resolve to have nothing more to do with it. But you turn up at the race course the next day and the same thing happens. The Regimental ponies did not do any good. 'Awful Brute' late 'Athole Bruse,' was sent out for a good number of races, but he never succeeded in getting placed once, and he has now been sold, and is to be tried we believe as a polo pony. 'Pothunter' is about good enough to race the Ice Company's ran. Two races were very amusing. The first was between the Governor's A.D.C. and his chair coolies who were going away without leave, and the other was the second steeplechase on the last day. Only one pony took the first jump at the first time of asking, and when the rest did manage to get over it they took it in turns to refuse the other jumps as they came to them. At the end Mr J. D. Humphreys' Vernal came in a very easy winner, never having refused a jump, while 'Awful Brute' having got rid of 2nd Lieut. Campbell careered about on his own account, and another pony who evidently preferred flat racing managed to get on to the race course near Black Rock.

We hear that private telegrams have been received to the effect that trade in London is disorganised by renewed strikes, as well as in Liverpool.—*N.-C. Daily News.*

Owing to the departure of the Northamptonshire Regiment, B. Company and half of D. are now told off to the defence of Stonecutter's Island, and they were mobilized there for the first time on the 20th inst., arriving about dusk. After dark the Royal Artillery were practised in laying their guns on distant objects by the electric light, but we did nothing in particular, and returned home about 9 p.m.—*Regimental News.*

There have sprung up recently in Shanghai places where a person picks out a photograph and on paying a few cents obtains it and some small article mentioned on the back of it. Apparently the sellers have run out of their supply and have purchased others in Shanghai, and as some of these are likenesses of residents, the latter we think have just cause to complain. A correspondent suggests that the police should interfere and prevent the portraits of residents being put to the above use.—*N.-C. Daily News.*

We are glad to learn that Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co., agents for the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ld., have raised the pay of their chief and second officers. In their letter to their officers, dated the 12th inst., they say:—'In view of the increase of pay lately accorded to the Engineers in the employ of this Company, the General Managers have decided to grant an increase also to their Marine Officers, and we have now the pleasure to inform you that from the 1st April, 1890, the scale of pay for Officers in this Company will be:—For chief officers $90 per month, second officers $60.'—*Shanghai Mercury.*

The operations for the discovery of coal in the provinces to which the Viceroy Chang Chih-tung was lately transferred have of late been carried out in a manner which leaves little room for doubt of the sincerity of the promoters of the design. Last month two foreign engineers, accompanied by two of the Viceroy's engineers, made an expedition along the Yangtze between Kiukiang and Hankow, with the object of finding good coal. They were accompanied by several officials, and all travelled together in the Government cruiser *Kwang Cheng.* Although the experts prospected a large number of places, they were unsuccessful in finding a good deposit, the only fuel discovered being a very poor and soft anthracite, burning without flame or smoke, full of pyrites and leaving a large residuum of white ashes. Mixed up with clay, the native people use it for burning lime and bricks, and a great number of kilns can be seen all along the banks of the river. For any other purpose this combustible has practically no value. After returning to Hankow the party started off again, this time up-river, with, it is believed, instructions to go as far as the boundary of Szechuan. According to a Shanghai native paper, the engineers were to be sent to explore the Kweichow and Hunan provinces. The Viceroy Chang has nothing to do with the former, and as for the latter, though it is known to be very rich in coal, yet it is most improbable that any foreign party will be sent there, as troubles are to be feared; the people being of a very rough character. Even the high Chinese officials find that in this country they could afford no sufficient protection to their foreign assistants. The Chinese people round Hankow have been much excited of late, and of course there was a great talk amongst them, to find out the reason why two or three foreigners, accompanied by a party of soldiers, came out every day with queer poles painted red and white and still queerer copper instruments, into which one after the other they peeped for a long time. Was it for the establishment of a new telegraph line or was their business connected with the future railway? Nobody could tell exactly. The fact was that the men with the strange instruments were making a thorough survey of the country round Hankow at the orders of the Wuchang yamén for the construction of a big dam or bank along the Yangtze and Han rivers. If this project is adopted, as it will most likely be, a vast piece of fertile land of several miles square will be protected against the yearly freshets of the two rivers and given over to cultivation. This bank will also in future protect the railway terminus against inundation.—*N.-C. Daily News.*

THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT'S VISIT.

Preparations for the visit of the Duke and Duchess of Connaught are being pushed forward rapidly. The demonstrations on the part of the Chinese promise to be even more profuse in some respects than those in connection with the celebration of Her Majesty's Jubilee. In the Chinese portions of the city, both east and west, the principal streets are spanned by lofty arches, of which those on Queen's Road, as far west as the Ko Shing Theatre, are very imposing structures. A large arch at Pedder's Wharf is in process of completion, and several others are being erected on the part of Queen's Road between Pedder's Street and Murray Barracks. On the Praya opposite the Cricket Ground, where the Harbour Works' Memorial Stone is to be laid, a large covered stand has been put up. The following is the text of the address to be presented to the Duke on his arrival:—

To Lieutenant-General His Royal Highness
Prince Arthur Patrick Albert,
Duke of Connaught, K.G., K.T., K.P.,
G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G., G.C.I.E., C.B.

May it Please Your Royal Highness,—Less than 50 years ago Hongkong was a desolate and almost unknown island with a scanty population of poor fishermen scattered along its shores. To-day it is an important portion of the Empire, with a varied population of over 200,000 souls; it is one of the busy centres of the commercial life of the world, receiving each year into its capacious harbour millions of tons of the shipping of all nations; it is a valuable military position on the frontiers of the empire and a great naval station. Such as it is it had its origin in the early years of Her Majesty's reign; it has received its Charter as a Colony from her hand; it has risen to its present position under her auspices; its capital city is known by her name; it owes to her beneficent government its first foundations, its growth and its prosperity, and to Her Most Gracious Majesty it has always been most loyal and devoted.

Twice in the past it has had opportunities of proving that loyalty and devotion by the warmth of its welcome to members of the Royal Family, and it unfeignedly rejoices at the opportunity now again afforded by the visit of Your Royal Highness to give full expression to its feelings of love and reverence for the Queen Empress.

Your Royal Highness and Your Illustrious Consort are most heartily welcome to Hongkong. We regret extremely that the Lenten Season and the shortness of your stay among us render it impossible for us to entertain you as we would wish to do, but we pray you to be pleased to accept the slender hospitalities we are in a position to offer.

Your Royal Highness is, as befits the godson of the Great Duke, a soldier, who has filled and may yet fill positions of great trust in the military service of the Crown. We congratulate you on the completion of your tour of service in India, we wish you all the honours and rewards of a successful military career. We are glad that you will, while here, have an opportunity of inspecting our fortifications and examining into our means of defence.

In this welcome, in these congratulations and good wishes all ranks and classes in the Colony concur. With the native-born subjects of Her Majesty are associated in this demonstration the Americans and Europeans of other nationalities who form so important an element in our life, and who gladly avail themselves of this opportunity to give expression to their respect and admiration for the Illustrious and Venerable Ruler of a friendly nation. With us are also associated the Chinese, by far the most numerous and by no means the least important section of the Community, who desire to testify their gratitude to the Sovereign under whose just rule they live free from oppression, happy, well governed and prosperous. They offer to Your Royal Highnesses, through their guilds and representatives, a special Chinese entertainment, and they hope that you will honour them with your presence thereat.

In conclusion, we sincerely hope that Your Royal Highnesses will enjoy your visit to Hongkong, hurried though it be, that you will bear with you from our shores many pleasant reminiscences, and that you will have a happy and prosperous voyage from this, the most Eastern of Her Majesty's possessions, to the point in the west where you will pick up again the links in the chain of Empire that girdles the globe.

We pray you, on your arrival in England, to convey to Her Most Gracious Majesty, the expression of our devoted loyalty.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

To the Editor of the 'China Mail.'

Hongkong, 25th March.

Sir,—Further subscriptions and donations to the Funds of the Alice Memorial Hospital are as follows:—

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I shall be glad if you will acknowledge these as before.

Yours faithfully,
E. W. MAITLAND,
Hon. Treasurer, Alice Memorial Hospital.

NEWCHWANG.

Messrs. Bandinel & Co.'s circular, dated 1st March, states:—

Imports.—T-Cloths are in small stock but without much demand. Drills, shootings, shirtings, camlets, cotton yarn, metals (with the exception of sheet iron), sugar, matches, kerosene oil, and window glass are out of stock and in great demand.

Exports.—Large stocks of beans, oil and grain, have accumulated during the winter, and great quantities are stored near the river banks up-country, ready to come forward by boat. A good shipping season is confidently anticipated.

The ice is only six inches thick, but we doubt if the river will open before the 20th instant.

There were 209 steamers and 44 sailing vessels entered and cleared during last year, representing 192,142 tons. Of British there were 120 steamers and 20 sailing vessels; Chinese 36 steamers; German 43 steamers and 15 sailing vessels; Swedish and Norwegian 3 steamers. During 1888 there were 227 steamers, and 80 sailing vessels entered and cleared.

AN ANGLO-CHINESE ALLIANCE.

We find the following translation from a native paper in the *N.-C. Daily News*:—

To judge from recent letters and telegrams which we have published in these columns, the recent movements of Russia show designs on her part fraught with great danger to China unless we are on our guard, and not our defences in better order than they are at present. Russia is a vast but poor country, and her people are a dashing and intrepid race, delighting in war. Supposing, what is at least not beyond the limits of possibility, that this warlike race, in the course of extending their boundaries to which natural conditions impel them, fell out with us Chinese, we could take our own part, and render a good account of them; of that there can be no manner of doubt. Yet, philosophically considering the question, if we can get others to assist us in resisting them, we should be foolish to make a point of bearing the brunt alone. The first-class Asiatic powers are only two in number; China and Japan. United by a common literature, and by sixteen centuries of intercourse, they are like the lips and teeth of one face,—bound to mutual and neighbourly support and protection. They are like the poles of a cart and the body thereof; if they are to get on at all they must get on together. Let China and Japan only pull together, and they may bid defiance to external aggression. It is regrettable that the politicians of Japan of late years have appeared to set such store by the friendship of Russia that they have not taken advantage of a defensive alliance with China which they could have easily made. Their policy towards Russia has been one of uncomplaining forbearance and concession; witness the exchange which they made of Saghalien for the unmeasurably inferior Kurile Islands.

Who, then, should be our ally against Russia? England. The trading interests of England in China are so great that she has on several occasions from self-interest interposed between China and other powers which were attacking, or would have attacked, her. If the attitude of Russia causes anxiety to China, England also has cause for inquietude. Although England and Russia are united by state marriages, an accumulation of grievances—the Turkish question, the Afghan question, and last of all the Corean question—have shaken the *entente cordiale* between them. Though professing perfect friendship each looks upon the other with suspicious eyes, and each constantly strengthens its means of defence and aggression.

It is not since yesterday, the Englishman well knows, that the Russians have coveted India. With Turkey and Afghanistan as buffetters, India is secure from an invasion from Russia. Therefore, when Russia had beaten Turkey in the last war, England interposed to save Turkey from the consequences of her defeat. When the Afghan King made a secret treaty with Russia, England deposed him, set up another in his place, and claimed the protectorate over the country. England's idea in both cases was to keep Russia away from her valuable possession, India.

While England makes such strenuous efforts to keep Russia from advancing, Russia is still not a whit discouraged or disheartened. In 1882 Russia, provided with excellent war maps, was about to attempt a *coup* on the Australian and other colonies of England, when the latter fortunately got possession of an important secret despatch which put her on the alert in the nick of time. In 1884 Russia was all ready for an attack on England; but the extraordinary celerity of the preparations made for defence by the latter made the former think better of it.

The Russians now have their eyes on Tibet. The recent news of that country indicates this sufficiently unmistakeably. Although China is the first State interested in Tibet, which is a Chinese possession, Tibet is India's next door neighbour, and if the Russians once established themselves there, they could invade India much more conveniently than through Turkey or Afghanistan. Thus Russia's designs with regard to Tibet are of great interest to England also.

The true way to get England to help China to protect Tibet from Russian aggression is *to open Tibet to British trade.* For several years past England has been longing for this concession. Let it once be accorded, and the designs of Russia concerning Tibet need cause us no farther anxiety. England is now the most powerful country in Europe. All the others respect and fear her. Let us make a defensive alliance with England, and Turkey, Afghanistan and Egypt will soon join in. Such an alliance will not only guarantee us against attack from Russia, but ensure us a profound and lasting peace with all other countries.

This is the age of alliances. First Germany, Austria and Italy; then Russia and France; then Germany, Austria, and Russia. England is the only great country in Europe which has as yet made no alliances with some powerful state, since her projected understanding with Turkey proved abortive. Turkey will, however, probably no longer hold aloof when England and China are once allied. Let Tibet then be opened, and this will become an accomplished fact. It is not only English trade but the world that will be benefited, for peace will be guaranteed for many years to come.—Leader in *Hu Pao*, 17th March, 1890.

THE DEFENCE OF CHINA.

The *N.-C. Daily News* translates the following from a native paper:—At the present time, when national defence is a cause of such solicitude to the Chinese Government, the re-organisation of the southern fleet is imperatively called for. It is not enough to line the sea-coasts of Kiangsu, Chêhiang, Fukien, and Kuangtung with new batteries. We should also have a southern (*nan-yang*) squadron equal in power and efficiency to the northern (*pei-yang*). This squadron must have coaling-stations at various points which must be connected with the coal-mining districts in the interior by railways as at Kaiping near Tientsin, and Kelung in North Formosa.

The southern division of the Chinese navy must have an Admiral on the spot who can send ships where he thinks they are required. By the present circumlocution system, before they can leave port the Viceroy of the Province must be applied to to consult with the Superintendent of Trade for the southern ports, or the Director-in-Chief of the Arsenal, and much valuable time is lost, during which irreparable harm may be done by an enemy. It is this vicious system that led to our defeat by the French at Makong in the Pescadore Islands; and would have led to another calamity at Chênhai, had not the Government, by almost superhuman exertions, succeeded in turning the threatened defeat into a successful engagement.

I witnessed the latter action, and saw the difficulty our commander had with the Canton and Ningpo sailing war-junks of which his force was partly composed. These poor old-fashioned craft are hardly fit to cope with the coasting smugglers and pirates, let alone tackling powerful French ironclad steamers armed with the heaviest of artillery.

We should have a southern squadron modelled on the existing northern one. It should be commanded by a *nan yang t'i-tuh*, whose head-quarters should be Formosa; and the present Admiral of Amoy might be made *nan yang t'i-tuh*, Commander-in-chief of the Southern Squadron. The coast forts and batteries should also be under the control of the principal naval authority. [Here follow proposals for abolishing certain existing naval and military appointments, and appointing the officers who hold them to secondary commands in the new Southern Squadron, such as Vice-Admiral, Commodore, etc.] The Southern squadron should be manned by powerful young men picked from among our hardy fishing population all along the coast,—the proper material for fighting sailors. Many of these will make excellent pilots, and the sharpest among them may be trained in the use of the compass, sextant and chart. Our ships should make frequent cruises to foreign countries to show the flag and keep up our prestige as a great power. The old war-junks should be converted into or replaced by small fast steamers and pull-away cutters, which will be much more effective against smugglers and pirates. Reviews and naval sham-fights must be made more like actual modern warfare. The present system of holding them in sheltered waters and only at one particular state of the tide, is a mere farce, as far as training is concerned, however pretty may be the spectacle thus presented to the onlookers.—'Wu-fu' (A Soldier) in *Shên Pao*, 17th March, 1890.

THE TROUBLE AT WUCHANG.

Rev. S. C. Partridge writes on the 17th March as follows to the *N. C. Daily News*:—

Sir,—It is now a week since the consular body at Hankow united in a protest to his Excellency the Viceroy of Hukuang against the anti Christian and anti foreign movement at Wuchang, and no official reply has as yet been received. The Consuls demanded, in a very forcible letter, that not only this placarding of the city be stopped, but that the miscreants be sought out and severely punished. (Our fear is that in the meantime they have been warned by the yamén underlings, and have taken the opportunity to escape.) In acknowledging the receipt of the despatch the Viceroy says that he has given orders to the city prefect (Hsien) to have the distribution of his seditious literature stopped at once. The Hsien's action in the matter is a good illustration of the sort of proclamation with which foreign officials are supposed to be satisfied, but which in reality amounts to nothing at all. In the first place it is not a regular official proclamation dated and sealed and posted on the city gates and bulletins, but a miserable sheet of paper a foot and a half square containing a brief notice in verse. It not only does not criticise the action in any way, but practically gives it a quiet approval; merely saying to the people that they must not 'stir the muddy water or scatter the heaps of dust,' *i.e.* in plain English 'although this filthy mess (foreigners and their religion) is in our midst, nothing is to be gained by disturbing it.' It is of course grossly insulting to the missionaries and the consuls as well, who should leave no stone unturned to have this official removed from his office and degraded. If there ever was a clear case in which foreigners of every nationality should unite in demanding a severe punishment of this kind, it is the one before us.

This man is practically mayor of the provincial capital and a man of great power and prestige in the eyes of the people. He allowed this outrageous attack upon European and native Christians to go on uninterruptedly for three days under his very eyes. When notified by the Italian Mission, he replied that it was none of his business. Not until he received a hint from his superior officer (Taotai of Hankow) does he condescend to move, and then he puts forth a proclamation only a little less insulting than the placards themselves. Instigation to crimes and even murder, violations of all the different treaties are nothing to him, he snaps his fingers insolently in the foreigner's face and says in effect 'What are you going to do about it?'

To bamboo a few poor wretches, to cangue them or even behead them, has but small effect upon the populace; the only punishment that carries a moral force and effect with it is the removal and degradation of an official of this kind. The entire city here know that he winks at the whole affair—they also have heard that the foreign Consuls have complained of the matter to the Viceroy—and they await with no small degree of interest his excellency's action.

It is Chang Chih-tung's great opportunity; will he fail in it? If he does, the matter must be carried to Peking—but he has the power to settle it here and now!

THE TELEGRAPH CONVENTION.

In the month of December ultimo the Shanghai and Hongkong evening press conveyed the intelligence that the Chefoo Telegraph Convention had been signed by the Tsungli Yamén. It seems that the information was readily believed in, and people naturally thought that the new combination would speedily commence working. Months have passed, and still the old system is in force, no connection has been made between the Chinese and Russian frontier lines, and the cable companies still enjoy the monopoly of international telegraph transmission. The fact is that the Chefoo Telegraph Convention was neither signed by the Yamén nor H. E. Li Hung-chang. The proposed Russian agreement, as the forerunner-basis and guarantee of the Telegraph Convention, was signed by their Excellencies Li Hung-chang and the Russian Minister, M. Ccumany. The Russian home government, however, thought otherwise and refused to ratify, whereupon the whole movement came to a stop. It will be hard to guess what motives have ruled the St. Petersburg Cabinet, but we venture to think that the Russian statesmen saw what we have pointed out before in the following three clauses:—

1.—Monopolies and fixed division of telegraph business and traffic preclude the rights of other parties and are consequently against the International treaty.

2.—Two terminal rates, one of 2 francs for Russia and another of 5 francs for England, America and the Continent, are against equity and the International treaty. Why should the same telegraphic work over the same distance and the same route within the boundaries of China be dearer for one party than for another?

3.—Russia's getting a terminal rate of 2 francs in China is not to be opposed, but the Russian Minister's tendency to fix this nice rate for his countrymen *only* should be prevented.

The Russian agreement was illogical and undiplomatic. We furthermore think that the vigorous protestations of the American Minister, Col. Denby, the Hongkong and Shanghai Chambers of Commerce, and the British, American and German merchants, carried due weight not only with the Tsungli Yamén, but also with the Russian Government and the public opinion at large. Indeed, the manifestations of the unpopularity of the Telegraph Convention have been many and strong. We heartily congratulate our fellow merchants on the satisfactory result—the non-ratification of the Chefoo Telegraph Convention and its appendix the Russian agreement. China's telegraphic rights had been unfairly checked in order to suit a party policy not resting upon the broad basis of equity but upon competition spirit. Broader principles, we hope, will come to reign supreme. China's telegraphic movement cannot be regulated by the cable companies, nor can her International tariff be laid down by one government's Minister, but should be the outcome of an International Conference at which all parties interested had their say; in fact she should join the International Union without delay. Only in this way the justified expectations of a lower and fairer tariff between the Far East and the West can be realised. Only what is built on the foundation of truth can withstand the wave of time. If the Chefoo Convention had been ratified it would clearly have shown its deficiencies, but we should have had to arm ourselves with patience for fourteen long years. A right solution of the question—that is, a fair field to all interests, may soon dawn upon us, and we may in a not far off future have the beneficial results. These can be briefly summarised as follows:—For China a dignified status, freedom of telegraphic action, and an increased revenue, and for trade and commerce the salubrious impulse of a much less burdensome tariff which, in accordance with all principles of economy, will increase the telegraphic traffic so as to offer a lucrative field not only for the shareholders of the foreign companies but also for China, on whose shoes the cables are landed and to whose imperial favour they owe twenty years of success.—'Equity' in *N. C. Daily News.*

A Nuremberg firm is bringing out a new kind of sole for boots and shoes, for which it claims great solidity and convenience. The sole consists of a sort of trellis-work of spiral metal wire, the interstices being filled with gutta percha and ammoniac resin, which give them both strength and suppleness. They are fitted with special nails on to ordinary soles, and can be produced 50 per cent below the ordinary prices of leather ones. They have already been used in the army, and it is stated that the results of the test are very satisfactory. The soles were found in good condition after long and severe usage.—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

Month by month the number of telegrams which can be sent through a single wire increases, and the distance through which a telephonic message can be heard is lengthened out. A newly-devised apparatus, quite simple in form, takes a telegram as it flows from one's pen and transcribes it from the wire in fac-simile. Even the words impressed upon the wax of a phonograph are now capable of being forwarded to distances exceeding a hundred miles.

MINING IN CHINA.

The *Shen Pao* contains the following article:—Coal and iron, and more especially coal, are indispensable factors in the making of a powerful country. Every energy of our government is now concentrated on the strengthening of China, and with that end it has gradually, during the last fifty years, convinced of the superiority of Western methods, been adopting our country with arsenals, factories, ship-building yards and other establishments modelled on the Western plan, until now we find scarcely a province in the Empire without some institution the idea of which is borrowed from foreign countries. For most of these, coal is a *sine qua non.* Thus the China Merchant's Steam Navigation Company, which plays such a powerful part in the patriotic work of winning back for China the profits in the Chinese carrying trades before monopolised by foreigners, uses every day a prodigious quantity of coal; and the railway, which though deferred, is by no means forgotten, will also be an immense consumer of both coal and iron. It is but natural, therefore, that the efforts of Chinese politicians should now be strenuously employed on the task of obviating the necessity of the continued outflow of money abroad for the purchase of these materials, by the employment as far as possible, of the mineral wealth with which China herself is so richly endowed. How great that outflow has been, will sufficiently appear from the following statistics:—

In 1889 China purchased from England, Australia, and Japan 268,000 tons of coal, paying for it over $2,000,000. These two million dollars were spent on foreign coal alone, and there was also a heavy bill of at least as much to pay for arms, munitions of war, and machinery.

On the other hand, the small country Belgium, the last to make a treaty with China, has 133 mines working, and produces yearly 20,000,000 tons of coal, of a value of $23,000,000. Belgium herself uses two-tenths of this quantity in her factories, and the other eight-tenths she disposes of to foreign countries, one of these eight-tenths going to France and Germany. In addition to the profits of the sale of her surplus coal, the country has the advantage of being able to give employment to 100,000 of her people in connection with this industry, paying them yearly about $22,470,000, or on an average $220 a head. Thus the government and many classes of the population directly or indirectly benefit by the mines, and the country, though small, is as rich as England or France.

The ill success which naturally followed the outrageous mismanagement of mining enterprises in China under the Ming dynasty, materially retarded their development in later times. The Government are, however, now deeply impressed with the necessity of having stores of coal at hand for our ships in the event of a war, when the enforcement of the neutrality laws might make it impossible to procure it from other countries. It is principally to provide for such a contingency that the Viceroy Li Hung-chang sent Shêng Taotai to draw up an agreement with Mr Goebel, Belgian Consul-General at Shanghai, himself formerly a director of mines in Belgium, under which Mr Braive, a mining engineer of high repute and long experience, has been engaged, and has proceeded to Hupeh, where the Viceroy Chang Chi-tung has also some German experts employed whose services were secured at a lower rate of remuneration. May their exertions contribute further to turning the tide of wealth still flowing out of China, into one of wealth flowing in!—Translated by *N.-C. Daily News.*

A new process for burning coal without smoke has recently been discovered. It consists in sprinkling water containing a special preparation of resin over the coal, and the result is that there is no smoke, and the glow is as intense as coke.

The decisive benefits of perpetual sunshine and high, dry and rarefied air (adjustable to cases) are to be provided for consumptives without the drawbacks of long journeys and banishment from home, friends and business by means of captive balloons with aerial hospital and staff attached, and adjusted at a proper elevation at all times, according to the state of the atmosphere and the condition of patients. It is needless to say, comments the *Sanitary Era*, that the idea is a Frenchman's. The sky pavilions will, of course, be of limited capacity, but they can be of unlimited number in that unprompted domain. The rich can have private sky parlors to themselves and families, or keep up intercourse with their friends by telephone and mutual calls below and aloft. Ballooning is at last to be a practical business and a new and large industry is opened before the enterprising and adventurous men of the future.

Quotations.

Hongkong, March 25.

Opium—New Patna, cash,...	494/495
" Old " cash,	—
" New Benares, cash,	490/495
" Old " cash,	—
" New Malwa, cash,...	520/530
" Allowance, Taels,...	8/32
" Old Malwa, cash,...	540/550
" Allowance, Taels,...	16/32
" Persian, Only, cash	520/530
" Allowance, Taels...	16/48
" Persian, Paper tied	530/540
" Allowance, Taels...	8/48

Exchange.

Hongkong, March 25.

On London—	
Bank, Wire, ...	3/0⅞
" On demand, ...	3/1
" 30 days' sight, ...	3/1⅛
" 4 months' sight, ...	3/1⅜
Credits, 4 " " ...	3/1⅜
Documentary, 4 months' sight	3/1⅛
On Paris—	
On demand, ...	3.80
Credits, 4 months' sight, ...	3.97
On Berlin—	
On demand, ...	3.12
On New York—	
On demand, ...	5
Credits, 60 days sight, ...	7⅝
On Bombay—	
Wire, ...	218
On demand, ...	220
On Calcutta—	
Wire, ...	218
On demand, ...	220
On Shanghai—	
On demand, ...	72⅛
30 days' sight private, ...	73
Gold Leaf, 100 fine... ...	$33.50 p. tael
Sovereigns, ...	$6.45

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.)

Barometer—	9 A.M.... ...	30.04
Do.	1 P.M.... ...	29.96
Do.	4 P.M.... ...	29.93
Thermometer—	9 A.M.... ...	60
Do.	1 P.M.... ...	62
Do.	4 P.M.... ...	60
Do.	(Wet bulb) 9 A.M.	59
Do.	Do. 1 P.M.	60
Do.	Do. 4 P.M.	59
Do.	Maximum	62
Do.	Minimum over night	54

Mails.

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SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, ISMALIA, PORT SAID, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, MARSEILLES, BRINDISI, TRIESTE, VENICE, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON:
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Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing.

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The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment.

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This Steamer takes Cargo and Passengers for MARSEILLES.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, March 15, 1890. 483

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES,
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;
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Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 1st April, 1890. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPREAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, March 21, 1890. 525

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For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

C. D. HARMAN,
Agent.

Hongkong, March 13, 1890. 462

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Bremen & Ports of Call	Preussen (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd.	April 13, at noon.
London & Ports of Call	Pekin (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	March 26, at noon.
London, v. Suez Canal	Stentor (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 29.
London	Ningchow (s)	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	About April 6.
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Marseilles, v. Saigon	Melbourne (s)	Messageries Maritimes	April 2, at noon.
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Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
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5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kellett's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessel's Name.	Section.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Anchises	5 c	Lapage	Brit. str.	2020	Mar. 24	Butterfield & Swire	Amoy and Shanghai	To-morrow
Ancona	5 c	Mudie	Brit. str.	3142	Mar. 24	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama & Hiogo	
Apenrade	3 h	Hohlmann	Ger. str.	1340	Mar. 23	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.		
Avochie	3 c	Rowin	Brit. str.	1039	Mar. 24	A. G. Morris	Saigon	27th inst.
Batavia	10	Williamson	Brit. str.	2553	Mar. 22	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Vancouver	3rd prox.
Chingtu	5 c	Hunt	Brit. str.	1452	Mar. 21	Butterfield & Swire		
Diamante	5 c	Tayler	Brit. str.	514	Mar. 23	Russell & Co.	Amoy & Manila	To-morrow
Don Juan	5 c	Marquez	Span. str.	654	Feb. 10	Brandao & Co.		
Euphrates	3 c	Edwards	Brit. str.	1650	Mar. 24	Russell & Co.		
Formosa	5 h	Hall	Brit. str.	674	Mar. 23	Douglas Steamship Co.		
Gaelic	5 c	Walker	Brit. str.	4211	Mar. 23	O. & O. S. S. Co.	San Francisco	
Guthrie	5 c	Green	Brit. str.	1467	Mar. 21	Russell & Co.	Yokohama	To-day
Holyrood	5 c	Rettie	Brit. str.	1777	Mar. 22	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Hsin-sheng	3 c	Buchanan	Chi. str.	850	Mar. 24	C. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	
Kiang-kwan	3 h	Knights	Chi. str.	1030	Mar. 12	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Kong Beng	2 h	Jones	Brit. str.	862	Mar. 19	Yuen Fat Hong		
Moray	2 h	Duncan	Brit. str.	1411	Mar. 21	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Saigon	To-morrow
Nierstein	3 c	Fredrichs	Ger. str.	731	Mar. 24	Melchers & Co.		
Ningpo	3 h	Koehler	Ger. str.	762	Mar. 25	Siemssen & Co.		
Nizam	2 h	Creery	Brit. str.	1615	Mar. 21	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Pekin	2 h	Harris	Brit. str.	2533	Mar. 25	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Europe, &c.	To-morrow
Phu Quoc			Fch. str.	234	Sept. 28	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	.....	K'loon Dock
Pilot Fish	4 h	Stopani	Brit. tug.	161	Sept. 15	H. K. & W. Dock Co.		
Tai Lee	3 c	Schuldt	Ger. str.	828	Mar. 23	A. G. Morris	Saigon	To-morrow
Thales	5 h	Hunter	Brit. str.	819	Mar. 25	Douglas Steamship Co.	Coast Ports	To-morrow
Sailing Vessels								
Conqueror	5 k	Lothrop	Amer. sh.	1540	June 16	Melchers & Co.	San Francisco	
Eme	5 c	Summers	Brit. bqe.	774	Mar. 2	Order		
G. M. Stanwood	8 c	Foster	Amer. bqe.	522	Mar. 9	Butterfield & Swire		
Hans	5 c	Hansen	Ger. sch.	120	Dec. 2	Blackhead & Co.		
Patagonia	10	Hobbert	Brit. bqe.	1199	Mar. 8	Russell & Co.		
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Sin Kolga	5 k	Jensen	Brit. bqe.	542	Mar. 19	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Sumatra	3 c	Rae	Brit. bqe.	749	Jan. 15	Adamson, Bell & Co.		
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Her Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	I.H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1700	4	3180	Com. Chas. H. Adair	Hongkong
Caroline	corvette	1400	—	—	Captain Wm. Wiseman, Bart.	Hongkong
Cordelia	cruiser 3rd class	2380	10	2420	Captain H. T. Grenfell	Manila
Esk	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	363	3	340		In reserve
Firebrand	gunboat 2nd class	465	4	400	Lieut.-Com. Denison	Tientsin
Hyacinth	cruiser	1420	—	—	Captain Robt. W. Craigie	On a cruise
Impérieuse*	twinscrew battle ship	8400	10	10000	Captain William H. May	Hongkong
Leander	cruiser 2nd class	4300	10	1500	Captain Burges Watson	Hongkong
Linnet	gun-vessel 2nd class	756	5	1050	Commander Smythies	On a cruise
Merlin	gunboat 2nd class	430	4	430	Lieut.-Com. G. H. Yonge	Hongkong
Mutine	sloop	1130	10	1120	Commander J. H. Martin	Kobe
Pigmy	gunboat	—	6	1200	Lieut. Com. Hewett	Singapore
Plover	gunboat	—	6	1200	Captain E. G. Rason	Hongkong
Porpoise	steel torpedo cruiser	1730	6	3500	Commander R. W. White	Hongkong
Rambler	surveying vessel	830	3	690	Capt. The Hon. F. C. Vereker	On a cruise
Rattler	gunboat 1st class	715	6	1200	Lieut.-Com. W. Maitl. Dougall	Hongkong
Severn	corvette	4000	—	—	Captain Hall	Hongkong
Solent	torpedo mining launch	150	—	—		Hongkong
Swift	gun-vessel 2nd class	756	5	1010	Com. The Hon. Richard Bingham	Hongkong
Torpedo Boat No. 35		95	—	—		In reserve
Torpedo Boat No. 36		95	—	—		In reserve
Tweed	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	—	3	—		In reserve
Victor Emanuel	receiving ship	5157	14	—	Commodore E. J. Church	Hongkong
Wanderer	sloop	925	4	750	Commander Geo. A. Giffard	Shanghai
Wivern	coast defence ship, armoured	2750	4	1450		Hongkong

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Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Admiral Korniloff	Russian armored cruiser	6000	18	7000	Captain Alexeyeff	Hongkong
Admiral Nakhimoff	Russian armored cruiser	8000	22	8000	Captain Fedetoff	Amoy
Alcout	Russian gunboat	800	—	—	Captain Parenego	Nagasaki
Almirante Barroso	Brazilian cruiser	2000	—	—	Capt. Custodio José de Mello	Nagasaki
Aragon	Spanish cruiser	1908	—	—	Captain A. Solez	On a cruise
Aspic	French gunboat	470	4	450	Commander Malopert	Haiphong
Chasseur	French despatch-vessel	—	—	—	Captain Bugard	Hongkong
Crayzer	Russian corvette	1234	—	—	Captain P. Basobrasoff	Manila
Djigit	Russian cruiser	1200	—	—	Commander Nikonoff	Singapore
Iltis	German gunboat	489	—	—	Captain Ascher	Canton
Leipzig	German cruiser	2263	—	—	Captain Pluddemann	Amoy
Lutin	French gunboat	486	4	425	Captain Nevy	Touron
Mandjour	Russian gun-vessel	1100	9	1200	Captain Tchuknin	
Marion	U. S. corvette	1900	7	1170	Commander Dyer	Nagasaki
Monocacy	U. S. sloop	1370	6	1470	Lieut.-Com. M. L. Johnson	Hongkong
Omaha	U. S. corvette	2400	12	1150	Capt. McNair	Yokohama
Palos	U. S. gunboat	420	6	500	Lieut.-Com. Craig	Nagasaki
Pluvier	French gunboat	540	—	420	Lieut.-Commander Fourest	On a cruise
Rio Lima	Portuguese gunboat	540	—	—	Captain J. R. Santa Barbara	Macao
Saudre	French transport	—	—	—	Captain Raoul	Haiphong
Sivoutch	Russian cruiser	900	1	1000	Commander Kasherinoff	Shanghai
Swatara	corvette	—	—	—	Commander John McGowin	Kobe
Tejo	Portuguese gunboat	500	3	100	Lieut.-Com. C. R. Caminha	Macao
Tirenne	French frigate	5880	12	4250	Captain Aubry de la Noë	Haiphong
Vallara	French cruiser	—	—	—	Captain Mayet	Shanghai
Vipere	French gunboat	480	4	425	Commander Goudot	Hongkong
Wladimir Monomakh	Russian ironclad frigate	6200	18	7200	Captain Doobassoff	
Wolf	German gunboat	894	6	840	Captain Crodner	Nagasaki

SHIPPING IN CHINA, JPAAN, PHILIPPINES, AND SIAM WATERS.

WHAMPOA.

Vessel's Name.	Flag & Rig.	Destination.
Canton	Brit. str.	
Peking	Ger. str.	
Sungkiang	Brit. str.	

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In port on March 18, 1890.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Diamond	British
Namkiang	British
Niensteln	German

MERCHANT SAILING VESSEL.

Loongwha	Br. 3m. sch.
Kristina Nilsson	Ger. bg.

FOOCHOW.

In port on March 14, 1890.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Hae-shin	Chinese	Hankow, &c.
Haitan	British	

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS

Sea Swallow	Brit. bqe.

SHANGHAI.

In port on March 14, 1890.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Alwine Soyd	German	
Chiang On	British	
El Dorado	British	
Feiching	British	
Feilung	British	
Fooksang	British	
Glenfinlas	British	
Hae-ting	Chinese	Chefoo, &c.
Hsin-sheng	Chinese	
Kiang-pian	Chinese	
Kiangyung	Chinese	
Kuling	British	
Kung-wo	British	
Kwongsang	British	
Melbourne	French	
Ningpo	German	
Oxus	French	Saigon
Peking	German	
Pekin	British	
Sinn-cheng	French	
Sin Nanzing	British	
Shanghai	British	
Sual	British	Hankow, &c.
Swatow	British	
Taku	British	
Toonan	Chinese	
Whampoa	British	
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J. H. Scammel	Brit. sh.	
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NAGASAKI.

In Port on March 10, 1890.

Kozaki Maru	Japan. bqe.

YOKOHAMA.

In port on March 8, 1890.

Arctic	Br. 3m. sc.
Bentin San	Swed. sch.
Diana	Amer. sch.
Enos Soule	Amer. bqe.
Flora P. Stafford	Brit. sh.
Nemo	Brit. sch.
Theodor	Ger. sh.

HIOGO.

In port on March 9, 1890.

Henry Failing	Amer. sh.
Isaac Reed	Amer. sh.
W. G. Davis	Amer. sh.

MANILA.

In Port on March 1, 1890.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Isla de Mindanao	Span.	str. L'pool v. Spain
Mount Olivet	Brit.	str. uncertain

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

Alex. Yeats	Brit.	sh. New York
Arizona	Brit.	sh. United States
Earl Granville	Brit.	sh. discharging
Granite State	Amer.	sh. United States
Karnak	Brit.	bqe. uncertain
Minister of Marine	Brit.	sh. New York
Monrovia	Brit.	sh. Iloilo
Panay	Amer.	sh. discharging
Zebina Goudey	Brit.	bqe. uncertain

ILOILO

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

Sylvan	Brit.	bqe. United States

BANGKOK.

In port on March 8, 1890

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Rainhow	Siamese.

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

Akerhjelm	Swed. bqe.
C. Treffenburg	Swed. bqe.
Foochow	Siam. bg.
Leonora	Aust. bqe.
Long Hin	Siam. bqe.
Goliah	Siam. sch.
Hilda	Swed. bqe.
Morna	Amer. bqe.
Phisen	Aust. bqe.
Siam	Siam. bqe.
Ta Hongkong	Siam. bqe.

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